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MEMORANDUM FOR: ALL STAFF AND DIVISION WAR PLANS OFFICERS

SUBJECT: Format for Developing a Country War Plan

1. The sequence in the full development of a War Plan was covered in the memorandum dated 19 October 1950 from I/WP.

2. The purpose of this memorandum is to standardize the form in which each country plan will be submitted to Divisions.

3. Brought down to its simplest form a Country War Plan should cover:

I. General Situation
II. Mission
III. Tasks for Subordinate Units
IV. Administrative and Logistical Matters
V. Command and Signal Matters

4. Each one of these paragraphs will be discussed as to purpose and content separately. In writing this plan, put yourself in the position of the man charged with carrying it out in the field.

I. General Situation.

From the conditions which exist in peace you evolve that situation which you can logically assume will exist if war occurs. Assume that Country "X" is favorably disposed toward the U.S. but not expected to be a belligerent at the outset of a war.

a. Enemy - USSR and Her Satellites.

The purpose of this sub-paragraph is to give the commander all the information regarding the enemy that you feel will be useful to him in carrying out his mission.

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The subject matter under this sub-paragraph should contain a brief statement of enemy activities, strength, capabilities, and probable intentions in Country "X".

b. Friendly Forces - U.S., Allied, or Native.

The purpose of this sub-paragraph is to give the commander all the information regarding friendly forces that you feel will be useful to him in carrying out his mission.

This paragraph should include answers to the following:

1. What is the size and where are our own, or Allied military forces that could be considered as available to assist our effort?

2. What is the strength and location of friendly elements of the native population who would probably support our efforts in Country "X" or within supporting distance?

II. Mission.

The purpose of this paragraph is to assign general war missions for OPC operations in Country "X". In order to show continuity in our planning, it is necessary to separate the paragraph into two parts; the first part assigning missions prior to war in support of the wartime plan that will insure easy transition from peace to war. The second part will assign a straight wartime mission.

It should contain:

a. Missions Prior to War.

These should include:

1. Planning for covert operations to be used in wartime in support of military objectives.

2. Execution of such covert operations as will prepare the country physically and psychologically for war, if inevitable.

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The following typical missions have been developed by WE Division for their countries and are listed for your information:

(a) To develop an attitude of "peace through strength."

(b) To increase non-Communist elements and decrease the influence of Communism in labor, intellectual, and political affairs.

(c) To foster active support of the NATO.

(d) To support U.S. foreign policy regarding the political, economic, social, and military integration of Europe.

(e) To build up stay-behind organizations to be used in the event of war.

(f) To make use of the NATO structure and SHAPE Headquarters to the greatest degree in support of our assigned missions.

(g) To assist whenever possible by covert means other agencies of our government in carrying out their missions.

b. Wartime Missions.

These should include:

1. Covert operations in support of military objectives.

2. Continue planning for future operations.

III. Tasks for Subordinate Units.

The purpose of this paragraph is to tell what each sub-commander is to do. This paragraph will generally vary for each country. From your Country Plan studies and assigned mission, your tasks with their objectives are determined. In Country "X", we have decided that psychological warfare, escape and evasion lines, and counter-sabotage are the primary tasks. Each task now becomes the same as an OPC project. Determine the scheme of operation and your force requirements with the time phasing. Each of those objectives will be handled as a separate paragraph or in a separate annex.

IV. Administrative

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IV. Administrative and Logistical Matters.

The administrative paragraph covers the following matters, normally in the form of an annex.

a. Supply

b. Evacuation and Hospitalization

c. Transportation

d. Service

e. Personnel

f. Miscellaneous

Staff II is presently printing forms for computing logistical matters. Instructions will be included on the forms.

V. Command and Signal Matters.

This paragraph will normally cover the plan of communications (This may be a standard plan or be in an annex.), rendezvous point, location of commander and command posts, statement of command relationships, and axis of signal communications, as appropriate. 25X1A

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